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Inventor(s): **Carroll**
Case: **14-11-30**
Serial No.: **09/911,364**
Filing Date: **July 23, 2001**
Examiner: **Foong**

Group Art Unit: **2823**

Title: **Method and Structure for DC and RF Shielding of Integrated Circuits**

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20231

SIR:

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) UNDER 37 CFR § 1.114

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR § 1.114 of prior application
Serial No. 09/911364 filed on July 23, 2003
entitled Method and Structure For DC and RF Shielding of Integrated Circuits

1. SUBMISSION REQUIRED UNDER 37 CFR § 1.114

a. ☐ *Previously Submitted*

i. ☐ Consider the amendment/reply under 37 CFR § 1.116 previously filed on

(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered.)

ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on

iii. ☐ Other _____

b. ☒ *Enclosed*

i. ☒ Amendment/Reply

ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)

iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

iv. ☐ Other _____

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2. MISCELLANEOUS

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR § 1.103(c) for a period of _____ month(s).
(Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months. Fee under 37 CFR § 1.17(l) required.)
- b. ☐ Other _____

3. FEES

- ☒ Please charge the total amount of 760.00 as required under 37 CFR § 1.17(e), to **Agere Systems Deposit Account No. 50-1735**.

In the event of non-payment or improper payment of a required fee, the Director is authorized to charge or to credit **Deposit Account No. 50-1735** as required to correct the error. Duplicate copies of this letter are enclosed.

The Director is hereby authorized to treat any concurrent or future reply, requiring a petition for extension of time under 37 CFR § 1.136 for its timely submission, as incorporating a petition for extension of time for the appropriate length of time if not submitted with the reply.

Please address all correspondence to **Docket Administrator, Agere Systems Inc., P.O. Box 614, Berkeley Heights, New Jersey 07922-0614**. However, telephone calls should be made to me at 407-371-3250.

Respectfully,


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Date: 18 December 2003

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